

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION		
ACCOUNTABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE STATE BOARD AND CHARTER SCHOOLS		1900
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**General.**<sup>i</sup> The State Board’s sole connection to each authorized charter school is the leader of that school (“school leader”) or designee of the school leader or charter management organization (“designee”). Authority over and management of charter school staff is considered to be the responsibility of the school leader/designee in accordance with state law.

Accordingly:

- (1) The State Board shall never give direction to persons who report directly or indirectly to the school leader/designee;
- (2) The State Board shall not formally evaluate any staff member; and
- (3) Except as required by law, the State Board shall not participate in decisions or actions involving the hiring, evaluating, disciplining, or dismissal of any employee.

**Compliance.**<sup>1</sup> The State Board shall coordinate with the school leader/designee to monitor the charter school’s compliance with applicable State Board policies.

Accordingly:

- (1) Monitoring shall determine the degree to which State Board policies are being met. Information not formally presented as monitoring data and that does not contribute directly to this purpose is not considered monitoring data.
- (2) The State Board shall acquire monitoring data on the school leader/designee’s adherence to State Board policies by one or more of the following methods:
  - (a) By internal report, in which the school leader/designee discloses relevant information and certifies compliance to the State Board;
  - (b) By external report, in which an unaffiliated, unbiased third party selected by the State Board assesses compliance with State Board policies; and/or
  - (c) By direct State Board inspection, in which the State Board formally assesses compliance with the appropriate policy criteria.
- (3) All policies shall be monitored on a schedule and by a method chosen by the State Board. The State Board may also monitor the charter school in accordance with State Board policy.<sup>1</sup>

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Legal References:

<sup>i</sup> State Board Policy 6.500